

REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application is requested in view of the above amendments and the following remarks. Claims 3-5 are pending. Claims 1, 2, and 6-8 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer.

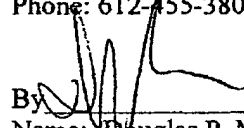
Claim 3 has been written in independent form. As claim 3 was indicated to be allowable, the rejection of claims 1, 2 and 6-8 is moot. Applicants are not conceding the correctness of the rejection.

In view of the above, Applicants request reconsideration of the application in the form of a Notice of Allowance.

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